

U.S. COPYRIGHT OFFICE LEADERSHIP



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Regan Smith is the deputy general counsel for the United States Copyright Office. She was appointed to the position effective December 25, 2016.

Smith assists the general counsel on a full range of legal issues including litigation, policy studies, and regulatory proceedings. She also helps to provide legal advice and assistance to the various components of the Copyright Office, the U.S. Department of Justice, and other federal agencies.

Smith joined the Copyright Office in 2014 as assistant general counsel and advanced in 2015 to associate general counsel. Before joining the Office, she spent several years in private practice in Chicago, where she represented a variety of clients in matters concerning copyright, technology, media, and related intellectual property issues.

Smith earned her JD from Harvard Law School, where she served on the *Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review*. She has a BA in philosophy and political science from the University of Michigan.

ABOUT THE U.S. COPYRIGHT OFFICE

Congress established the Copyright Office as a separate department within the Library of Congress in 1897 and created the position of Register of Copyrights to lead it. The United States Copyright Office administers the nation's copyright laws as set forth in the Copyright Act and provides impartial assistance to Congress, the courts, and executive branch agencies on questions of national and international copyright law and policy.